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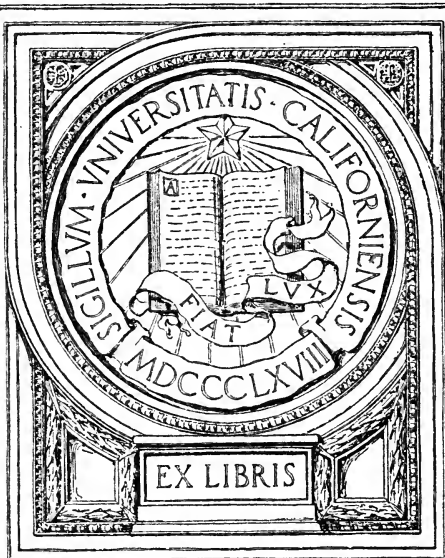
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LAWS OF 1895.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 47.) The treasurer of each town in this state shall withhold annually from the money received from the school fund income for the several school districts whose schoolhouses are located in the town of which he is the treasurer, an amount equal to ten cents for each person of school age residing in such districts for the purchase of books as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 2. Between the tenth day of July and the thirty-first day of August in each year, the town clerk, with the assistance of the county superintendent of schools, shall expend all money withheld by the town treasurer as provided in section 1 of this act, in the purchase of books selected from the lists prepared by the state superintendent as hereinafter provided, for the use of the several school districts from which money has been so withheld, and he shall distribute the books thus selected and purchased, among the several school districts, in proportion to the sums of money withheld from each.

SECTION 3. It is hereby made the duty of the state superintendent to prepare annually or biennially, as he may deem necessary, lists of books suitable for use in school district libraries, and furnish copies of such lists to each town clerk and each county superintendent, as often as the same shall be published or revised, from which lists the several town clerks shall select and purchase books for use in the public school libraries in the several towns of the state as provided in this act.

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SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of each town clerk to keep a complete record of the books purchased by him and distributed to the several school districts, in a record book furnished by the state superintendent upon application, and he is hereby authorized from time to time, as he may deem necessary, to collect and redistribute among the several school districts the books, purchased under the provisions of this act, in the same manner as provided for first distribution, to the end that each district may have the use of all books purchased for use in the school district libraries of the town. For such services properly rendered, the town clerk shall be allowed the usual per diem of two dollars for the time actually and necessarily spent.

SECTION 5. Unless the school district shall, at the annual meeting, elect some other person to be librarian of the district, the district clerk shall act as librarian for the district and shall receive and have the care and custody of the books, distributed to the district, pursuant to the provisions of this act, and shall loan them to teachers, pupils and other residents of the district in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the state superintendent. It is further provided that during the periods that the school is in session the library shall be placed in the schoolhouse and the teacher shall act as librarian under the supervision of the district clerk or of the librarian elected at the annual meeting. The state superintendent shall have authority to suspend the operation of this act for any year in any or every town, by giving due notice of such suspension to the respective town clerks on or before the tenth day of June.

SECTION 6. The superintendent of farm institutes shall deposit, each year, with the state superintendent of public instruction a sufficient number of copies of the farm institute bulletin to supply every public school li-

brary of the state with one copy of each edition of said bulletin, which bulletins the state superintendent shall send to the various town clerks who shall distribute them to the public school libraries of the schools in their respective towns, from which libraries the said bulletins shall be loaned in like manner and under the same regulations prescribed for the loaning of books from the public school libraries of the state

This is an amendment to chapter 288 of the laws of 1889, and makes the withholding of ten cents for each person of school age *mandatory* on the town treasurer. It is also mandatory that the library shall be placed in the schoolhouse and kept there during the period the school is in session.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 333.) No person shall be eligible to the office of county superintendent who shall not at the time of his election or appointment have taught in the public schools of the state for a period of eight months, and who shall not at the time of such election or appointment hold a certificate entitling him to teach in any public school in the state, or a certificate to be known as a county superintendent's certificate, and which shall be issued by the state superintendent after examination by, and upon the recommendation of the board of examiners for state certificates.

SECTION 2. The board of examiners for state certificate shall, at the time of holding the regular examinations for state certificates now provided for by law, examine all applicants for the county superintendent's certificate herein provided for, upon the branches upon which examination is now required for a first grade county certificate, and also upon school law, upon the organization and management of district schools, and upon the supervision of district schools.

SECTION 3. The board of examiners for state certificates shall, in addition to the examination now provided for by law, hold in the month of July of each year, three examinations simultaneously at three different points in the state. The points where such examinations shall be held shall be determined by the state superintendent, and shall be chosen with reference to the accommodation of applicants in different parts of the state. The examinations so held shall be for the purpose of examining applicants for the county superintendent's certificate herein provided for. Each of the three examinations shall be held under the supervision of a member of the board of examiners, but the scope and character of the examination shall be previously determined by the board of examiners and the state superintendent. Printed questions shall be prepared on each subject upon which the applicant is required to be examined, and the board of examiners shall examine the papers written by applicants and shall file all papers so written in the office of the state superintendent.

SECTION 4. All persons passing the examination prescribed in section 3 to the satisfaction of the board of examiners for state certificates, and who shall furnish satisfactory testimonials of moral character to the board of examiners, shall, upon the recommendation of the board, receive from the state superintendent the county superintendent's certificate, which, together with the eight months' experience in teaching in the public schools provided for in section 1, shall constitute a legal qualification to hold the office of county superintendent of schools. It shall also legally qualify the holder to teach in any public school in the state for which a first grade county certificate is now a legal qualification. Such certificate shall remain in force until revoked by the state superintendent in accordance with the provis-

ions of section 457 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin.

SECTION 5. The county clerk shall not place the name of any person upon the official ballot as a candidate for the office of county superintendent of schools unless such person shall have filed in the office of the county clerk, at least fifteen days before the date on which the election is to be held, proof of having successfully taught in the public schools of the state for a period of eight months, and a copy of the certificate required by this act.

SECTION 6. The provisions of law for payment of expenses and per diem of members of the board of examiners while conducting examinations for state certificates, shall extend to the examinations herein provided for, for the county superintendent's certificate.

SECTION 7. The provisions of this act shall not operate to disqualify for re-election any person holding the office of county superintendent of schools at the time of its passage, nor any person who has at any time held the office of county superintendent of schools in the state of Wisconsin.

SECTION 8. All laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

DIPLOMAS.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 243.) Teachers' certificates granted by other states which are fully and fairly equivalent to the Wisconsin unlimited certificate, may be countersigned by the state superintendent upon the recommendation of the state board of examiners. The holder of such certificate shall furnish to the board of examiners such evidence of learning, and good moral character, experience and success in teaching as is required for the unlimited state certificate.

SECTION 2. Any person holding a diploma granted upon the completion of a regular collegiate course of the state university, or upon the completion of the full course of any Wisconsin normal school, may present such diploma to the state superintendent to be countersigned. No diploma shall be countersigned except the holder thereof shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the state superintendent of good moral character and one year's successful teaching in a public school. The certificate granted upon the completion of the elementary course of any Wisconsin state normal school may be countersigned by the state superintendent. When countersigned it shall have the force and effect of a limited state certificate in this state; but no such certificate shall be countersigned unless satisfactory evidence be furnished the state superintendent of good moral character and successful experience in teaching a public school for eight months after the date of its issuance.

SECTION 3. The holder of a diploma granted by any incorporated college or university, whose regular collegiate courses are fully and fairly equivalent to corresponding courses in the university of Wisconsin, and the holder of a diploma granted by a state normal school whose course of study is fully and fairly equivalent to the courses of study in the Wisconsin normal schools, may present such diploma, together with evidence of the required standing of the college, university or normal school granting the same, to the state board of examiners. The applicant shall furnish therewith testimonials of good moral character and of two years' successful teaching in a public school after the date of issue of said diploma. The diploma recommended favorably by said board shall be countersigned by the state superintendent. The holder of a diploma which is not countersigned, and which was granted upon the completion of

a course of study accredited as herein provided, may be given a special license by the state superintendent to teach for one year in a public school upon the recommendation of the state board of examiners, made in pursuance of such examination as to learning, moral character and ability to teach as said board may require.

SECTION 4. All diplomas and life certificates provided for in the three preceding sections, when countersigned, shall have the force and effect given by law to the unlimited state certificate; provided, that any diploma described in section 2 shall have like force and effect for one year before it is countersigned.

SECTION 5. Any state certificate, or its equivalent, may be revoked by the state superintendent for incompetency or immoral conduct; but before any such revocation the holder shall be served with a written statement of the charges against him, and shall have an opportunity for defense.

This law makes a radical change in the matter of countersigning diplomas and certificates issued in other states than Wisconsin, by providing for such countersignature upon recommendation of the state board of examiners only. The experience required of those asking countersignature of diplomas or certificates issued in Wisconsin, will be held as required in this state. As to others the state board will make its own rule.

HIGH SCHOOLS—MANUAL TRAINING.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 358.) It shall be lawful for any high school board or any board of education in this state having charge of a free high school, or of a high school having a course of study equivalent to the course or courses prescribed by the state superintendent for free high schools, to establish and maintain a department of manual training in connection with the schools under its control and management.

SECTION 2. The expense of maintaining such manual training department shall be provided for in the same manner as other expenses of maintaining high schools are provided for, by taxes assessed upon the taxable property of the territory included in the corporation, district or districts maintaining the high school in connection with which the manual training department is established, and such department shall be under the management, direction and control of the board having the management and control of the high school.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the state superintendent, as far as the other duties of his office may warrant, to give such information and assistance as may seem necessary in organizing and maintaining manual training departments and in arranging schemes and outlines of work. The state superintendent, with the aid of the supervisor of high schools, shall also have general supervision of all manual training departments established and maintained under the provision of this act, shall from time to time inspect the same, make such recommendations relating to the management as he may deem necessary, and in his biennial report make such report thereon as shall give full information concerning their number, character and efficiency, and their value as an educational factor.

SECTION 4. The state superintendent shall establish a standard of qualification for all teachers in manual training departments and may grant special certificates to such applicants as are to his judgment fully qualified to instruct in special lines of manual work, which certificates shall be in such form and for such time as he may prescribe, and shall be regarded as certificates legally qualifying the holders thereof to teach in any manual training department forming a part of the public school system of the state.

SECTION 5. Any high school whose course of study

or outline of work in manual training has been approved by the state superintendent and whose teacher or teachers have been duly qualified according to section 4 of this act, may upon application be placed upon an approved list of schools maintaining manual training departments. A school once entered upon this approved list may remain there and be entitled to the special state aid hereinafter provided in this act, so long as the scope of work and its character is maintained from year to year in such a manner as to meet the approval of the state superintendent; provided, that the state superintendant shall not under the provision of this act place upon the said approved list more than ten schools.

SECTION 6. On the first of July each year the clerk of each high school board maintaining a school on the approved list, or the city superintendent of any city where such an approved school is maintained, shall make a report to the state superintendent, in such form as may be required, setting forth the facts relating to the cost of maintenance of the manual training department, the character of the work done therein, the number and name of teachers employed therein, and the length of time such department was maintained during the year. And upon the receipt of such report, if it shall appear that the department has been maintained in a satisfactory manner for a period of not less than six months during the year ending with the date of the report, the said superintendent shall make certificate to that effect and file the same with the secretary of state.

SECTION 7. Upon receiving the certificate of the state superintendent provided in section 6, of this act, the secretary of state shall immediately draw his warrant upon the state treasurer, for the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, payable to the treasurer of the district or corporation maintaining a school which is in the list

of approved schools maintaining manual training departments, and reporting as herein provided.

SECTION 8. There is hereby annually appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum sufficient to carry out the provisions of this act, and all sums so paid for the establishment and support of manual training departments, shall be annually added to the state tax, and levied and collected as other state taxes are collected; provided, that the total amount expended under the provisions of this act shall not exceed the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars in any one year, and no aid shall be given to any school prior to July, 1896.

COUNTY INSTITUTE FUND.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 331.) Any applicant presenting himself for examination by any county superintendent of schools for a certificate entitling him to teach in the county superintendent's district shall, before such examination is entered upon, pay to the said county superintendent an examination fee of one dollar.

SECTION 2. Any person making application to any county superintendent for the issuance of a certificate based upon papers written in an examination held in another superintendent's district, under the provisions of section 450 of Sanborn and Berryman's annotated statutes, shall, before the issuance of such certificate, pay to the county superintendent to whom the application is made an examination fee of one dollar.

SECTION 3. Any graduate of a high school making application to any county superintendent for the countersigning of his certificate of graduation or diploma, under the provisions of section 452a, chapter 311, laws of 1885, shall, before such certificate of graduation or diploma shall be countersigned and delivered, pay to

the county superintendent to whom the application is made an examination fee of one dollar.

SECTION 4. All moneys paid to the county superintendent under the provisions of this act shall constitute an institute fund, and shall be used under the direction of the county superintendent in defraying the necessary expenses, in whole or in part, of conducting one or more teachers' institutes annually for the instruction of the teachers in his district in the theory and art of teaching and in the branches taught in the common schools; and in compensation for lectures at such institutes by others than the conductors and county superintendent.

SECTION 5. The county superintendent shall annually make and file with the county clerk of the county within which he resides a statement, verified by his affidavit, giving the names of all persons examined by him since the beginning of the term he is then serving or since the date of his last statement, together with the dates when such persons were examined. He shall also embody in the same statement the names of all persons to whom certificates have been issued upon papers written in another superintendent's district and the dates when such certificates were issued, and also the names of all persons, graduates of high schools, whose diplomas he has countersigned, together with the dates of countersigning. At the expiration of his term of office the county superintendent shall file with the county clerk a sworn statement similar to those hereinbefore provided for in this section, covering the time from the close of his last regular series of examinations to the close of his term, and he shall embody in such statement a summary, giving the number of persons in each of the three classes herein named, and of all the persons so reported by him to the county clerk during his term of office; the amount of fees received by him during his term of office,

the amount paid out by him, and the amount remaining in his hands. And he shall pay over to his successor in office all moneys thus remaining in his hands at the expiration of his term of office.

SECTION 6. All moneys collected by the county superintendent, under the provisions of this act shall be paid out each year for the purposes specified in section 4 of this act, and for no other purposes. Each payment shall be entered in a book kept by the county superintendent for that purpose, which shall be open to public inspection, and be by him delivered to his successor in office, and shall be accompanied by a statement of the name of the person to whom the payment is made, and the character of the service rendered, or material furnished. No money shall be paid for services rendered as an instructor in any institute unless the person rendering such service shall hold a certificate signed by the state superintendent certifying that the committee on institutes of the board of regents of normal schools approves of said person as a competent institute instructor. The said committee on teachers' institutes is hereby authorized and directed to prepare annually and transmit to each county superintendent in the state, a list of persons approved by the committee for service in the institutes herein provided for.

SECTION 7. The county board shall require the county superintendent to give bonds with good and sufficient sureties for the proper performance of the duties prescribed by this act in an amount which shall not be less than twice the amount likely to be collected and disbursed by him annually, under this act.

In view of the statement to the county clerk required by this law, superintendents should enroll and give questions to those only who have paid the fee of one dollar.

INTEREST ON SCHOOL LOANS.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 73.) The commissioners of public lands are hereby authorized and directed to credit any school district to which a loan has been made from the trust funds since the passage of chapter 187, of the laws of 1893, any and all amounts of interest paid by such school district in excess of four per cent., as required by said chapter; said credit to be given upon the next payment of interest falling due upon said loan, and said commissioners are further authorized and directed to reduce the interest hereafter to be paid upon all such loans to four per cent. per annum.

PURCHASES BY SCHOOL BOARDS.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 95.) Section 1 of chapter 272, of the general laws of 1889, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1. The school board of each city and school district in the state is hereby directed and required to purchase at the expense of such city or school district one or more flags of the United States and place and keep one of them in each schoolroom or display from flagstaff on schoolhouse or from flagstaff on the school grounds in said city or school district, and also in like manner to purchase such necessary apparatus or appliances as may be necessary for properly preserving such flag or flags.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT.

WHEREAS, At the biennial session of the legislature of this state for the year 1893 an amendment to the constitution of this state was proposed and agreed to by a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses, which proposed amendment was in the following language:

"Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That section 1, article 10, of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended by striking out this sentence: 'Provided, that his compensation shall not exceed the sum of twelve hundred dollars annually.' "

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin shall be submitted to a vote of the people of this state in the manner now provided by law for the submission of proposed amendments at the next general election in November, 1896.

AN ACT fixing the salary of the state superintendent of public instruction.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

WHEREAS, The legislature at a session held in the year 1893 passed a joint resolution for the amendment of section 1, of article X, of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin, striking out the following sentence: "Provided, that his compensation shall not exceed the sum of twelve hundred dollars annually," and

WHEREAS, The legislature of said state for the year 1895 has concurred in said joint resolution, and passed an act submitting the same to a vote of the people at a general election to be held in November, 1896, now, therefore,

SECTION 1. (Chapter 93.) The annual salary of the state superintendent of public instruction from and after the first Monday in January, 1897, shall be three thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the first Monday in January, 1897; provided, that the people of this state shall approve and ratify the amendment to the constitution contained in the foregoing resolution.

NORMAL SCHOOLS.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 91.) There is hereby appropriated to the normal school fund income out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated the following sums: (1) For current expenses for the year 1894-95, six thousand dollars. (2) For libraries, ten thousand three hundred dollars. (3) For equipment for chemical, physical and biological laboratories, museums of natural history, drawing departments and gymnasias, fourteen thousand seven hundred dollars. (4) For heating apparatus, repairs and furniture, forty-one thousand five hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. Section 3, chapter 185, laws of 1893, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 3. For the purpose of conducting and maintaining the state normal schools, there shall be levied and collected annually hereafter as other state taxes are levied and collected, a state tax of one-fifth of one mill for each dollar of the assessed valuation of the taxable property of the state; which amount so levied and collected is hereby appropriated to the normal school fund income for the uses and purposes specified in this section. Provided, that until the seventh normal is established and put in operation the sum of twenty thousand dollars shall be annually returned to the general fund.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, the secretary of state and state treasurer, with the consent and approval of the governor, are hereby authorized and empowered to transfer from the trust funds of the state to the general fund the sum of seventy-two thousand five hundred dollars, to be returned to the trust funds from the general fund income or the fiscal year ending on the 30th day of September, 1896.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 296.) No claim or account shall be hereafter paid by or under the authority of the board of regents of normal schools and the board of regents of the state university unless the said claim or account shall specify the nature and particulars thereof, and be verified by the oath, affidavit or affirmation of the claimant or his agent, in writing, and shall have been certified in writing thereon by the officer or member of said board designated by resolution of said board to certify claims and accounts for payment.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of each of said boards within ten days after the expiration of any quarter to transmit to the secretary of state an itemized statement of all payments made by it or under its authority during the preceding quarter, certified by the president and secretary of said board, which said statement shall be included in the biennial report of the secretary of state.

UNIVERSITY.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 241.) There shall be levied and collected annually for two years an additional state tax of one-fifth of one mill for each dollar of the assessed valuation of the taxable property of the state, which amount so levied and collected is hereby appropriated to the university fund income of the University of Wisconsin, and shall be used by the board of regents of the university for increased administration expenditures and expenditures for the department of engineering, advancing the work of university extension in the state of Wisconsin, in addition to the horticultural building, enlargement of ladies' hall with gymnasium apartments, changes and repairs in university hall, and the construction of a farm barn and purchase of a herd of cattle for the agricultural department; any residue which may remain may be applied to such uses as the regents

may deem to be most important to the interests of the university; provided, that out of the income derived from said tax there shall be set apart for the college of agriculture, in addition to its present several incomes, twenty thousand dollars for the completion and equipment of the horticultural building, five thousand dollars for a dairy barn, two thousand dollars for the purchase of a herd of dairy cows, and ten thousand dollars annually for current expenses.

SECTION 2. The state tax directed to be levied and collected by chapter 29 of the general laws of Wisconsin of 1891, shall be continued after the lapse of the six years therein mentioned, and so continued shall be levied and collected annually, and is hereby appropriated to the university fund income of the University of Wisconsin to meet the current or administration expenditures of said university and may be applied in the same manner as other university fund income.

SECTION 3. The commissioners of public lands be and they are hereby authorized to direct the state treasurer from time to time to set apart by way of loan to the fund known as the university fund income of the University of Wisconsin or like university uses, such excess of moneys, if any, or part thereof, in the trust fund not otherwise appropriated or required for anticipated ordinary expenditure as in their judgment shall be prudent, such loan to be repaid to the trust fund from the portions of state tax hereinbefore appropriated with interest thereon at the rate then required on deposits in bank made pursuant to chapter 273 of the general laws of Wisconsin of the year 1891, and the acts amendatory thereof.

HOME FOR FEEBLE-MINDED.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 138.) There is hereby created and established for the care, custody and training of the

feeble-minded, epileptic and idiotic of this state, an institution to be known as "The Wisconsin Home for Feeble-minded."

SECTION 2 The state board of control shall within six months from the passage of this act, select a suitable site for such a home, and shall have power to receive proposals for the donation of land to the state for such site, and to receive the same by gift, or they may purchase such site if no proper location shall be given for that purpose, and they may receive proposals for donations of money or other securities in behalf of this state for the benefit of such home, and they may locate the same, by and with the consent of the governor of the state, at such point as they, together with the governor, shall deem for the best interests of this state, and receive any donations or bequests which may be made for its maintenance and support. Said board shall as soon as practicable after the location of said institution, cause to be erected on the site so selected, suitable buildings, and make thereon the improvements necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this act. The site selected shall comprise not less than two hundred acres of land, possessing good facilities for drainage and sewerage, and an abundant supply of pure water. Municipalities of this state are hereby empowered to make the donations herein mentioned for the establishment and building of such a home.

SECTION 3. The general supervision and government of said home shall be vested in the state board of control of reformatory, charitable and penal institutions, pursuant to the law creating and defining the duties of said board, and said board shall establish a system of government for the institution, and shall make all necessary rules and regulations for enforcing discipline, imparting instruction, preserving health, and for the proper care and training of the persons in said home

The said board shall appoint a superintendent, a matron, and such other officers, teachers and employes as shall be necessary, who shall severally hold their offices or places during the pleasure of said board, and said board shall prescribe their duties and fix their salaries, and all provisions of chapter 298, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1881, and chapter 221, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1891, and the acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, shall, as far as practicable, apply to the government and management of said home.

SECTION 4. All feeble-minded, epileptic and idiotic persons, residents of the state, or any such person found therein, whose residence cannot be ascertained, may be admitted to said home and receive the benefit thereof free of charge, subject to such rules and regulations as may be made by the said board of control, and said board shall adopt and publish a schedule of maximum charges and expenses, for such feeble-minded, epileptic and idiotic persons may be placed in the said home, but who shall not, for any reason, be entitled to be admitted or kept free of charge; provided, that all provisions of chapter 32, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the support of insane persons and the liability of counties therefor, shall also apply, as far as practicable, to persons admitted to said home for the feeble-minded.

SECTION 5. All the provisions of chapter 32, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin and the acts amendatory of and supplementary thereto, in relation to the admission of patients to the hospitals or asylums for the insane, of this state and the proceedings to determine such insanity, and all the powers and duties now conferred or devolved by law upon the several judges in this state, in relation to the commitment of persons to some hospital or

asylum for the insane, shall, as far as practicable, apply to the admission of feeble-minded, epileptic and idiotic persons in the home hereby established; and all applications, proceedings, orders and judgments to determine the condition of said insane persons, shall, as far as practicable, apply to the persons committed to the home hereby established; and all the powers and duties conferred, or devolved by law upon the said judges are hereby conferred, devolved and charged upon said judges, as to the proceedings and judicial inquiries, orders, judgments and commitments for the admission of persons to the said home hereby created.

SECTION 6. Said home for the feeble-minded shall be organized into the following departments:

1. A school department for the educable grades or classes.

2. A custodial department for the helpless and lower types.

3. Such other departments, or colonies, as the needs of the institution may require.

As soon as practicable such trades and manual industries as are adapted to these several departments shall be introduced and established by the said board of control.

SECTION 7. All persons now confined in any of the charitable, reformatory or penal institutions within the state, who, upon proper examination by the said board of control, shall be found to be of the condition and qualification described by this act, may, by the order of said board, by and with the advice and consent of the governor, be transferred to the said "Wisconsin Home for Feeble-minded," to be kept and dealt with as prescribed by this act and the rules and regulations made pursuant thereto; and the said board shall make all rules and regulations relating to their temporary or final discharge.

SECTION 8. For the purpose of carrying into effect the

purposes specified in this act, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars. Fifty thousand dollars to be paid during the year 1895, and fifty thousand dollars to be paid during the year 1896; which sums may be drawn by the said board upon their warrants as provided by law.

THE ERECTION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 141.) Section 118, of chapter 14, of the general charter law, is hereby amended by adding thereto: "In cities of the third and fourth classes, where there is no board of public works, the power herein conferred shall be exercised by the board of education."

SECTION 1. (Chapter 97.) Section 87, of chapter 11, of the general charter law, is hereby amended as follows: Before the word "all" in the first line prefix the words "in cities of the first and second classes," after the word "works" in the third line insert the words "and in cities of the third and fourth classes in the charge of the board of education," and insert the words "two hundred" instead of the word "fifty" after the word "than" in the fifth line, and omit the words "directed to be made" in the sixth line and substitute the word "approved," so that the section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 87. In cities of the first and second classes all repairs and alterations of school buildings and premises shall be under the charge of the board of public works, and in cities of the third and fourth classes in the charge of the board of education; but such repairs or alterations, except ordinary repairs costing not more than two hundred dollars, shall first be approved by the common council.

APPORTIONMENT OF MONEY.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 39.) Chapter 287, of the laws of 1885, as amended by chapter 389, of the laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 229, of the laws of 1893, is hereby amended by adding to section one thereof as follows: The state superintendent shall apportion the school moneys each county will be entitled to receive under the provisions of this act, on or before the first day of November of each year, and certify the apportionment so made to the secretary of state and state treasurer, and he shall, at the same time, certify to each county clerk and county treasurer, the amount of said tax to which each town, city and village in their respective counties, is entitled. Upon receiving such apportionment the secretary of state shall immediately inform the county clerk and the treasurer of each county of the amount of state school tax such county will be required to levy, and the amount it will be entitled to receive in return as its portion of the school fund accruing under the provisions of this act.

SECTION 2. At the same time that taxes levied for other state purposes are now required to be paid into the state treasury, the county treasurer of each county shall pay over to the state treasurer the school moneys arising under the provisions of this act, in excess of the amount such county is entitled to receive in return as its portion of the state school tax. But if a larger amount should be due any county than such county was required to pay, the state treasurer shall pay to the treasurer of such county, at the time of the payment of the state tax assessed against the county, the amount due the county in excess of the state school tax levied upon it.

SECTION 3. At the time of making a settlement between the state and any county, on account of any state

school tax levied upon the county, by the treasurers, receipts shall be exchanged by such treasurers, showing that the full amount assessed against the county as a state school tax has been accounted for to the state, and in turn, that the amount due the county on account of a state school tax, has been accounted for to the county by the state treasurer; and within ten days from the settlement herein specified, the several county treasurers shall pay over to the several town, city and village treasurers, the amount to which they are respectively entitled by the apportionment made by the state superintendent.

SECTION 4. It is hereby declared to be the true intent and meaning of this act, to provide for an earlier distribution to the counties of the moneys collected as a state school tax, and that only the balances that may be due any county, or the state, as the case may be, shall be paid in money at the time of settling accounts between the county and the state, in so far as they relate to the state school tax.

TOWNSHIP SYSTEM.

SECTION 1. (Chapter 276.) Section 517, chapter 27, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following: "Provided, that no sub-district shall be maintained or hereafter formed which has residing within its limits less than fifteen children of school age. Provided further, that any sub-district may maintain so many branch schools as the convenience of the school population may require," so that said section when amended shall read as follows: Section 517. New sub-districts may be formed, and the boundaries of any sub-district may be altered by the town board of directors at any regular meeting of said board; but the formation and alteration of any joint sub-district shall be by concurrent action of the boards of directors of all the towns embraced in part in such sub-districts. Provided, that no sub-district shall be maintained or hereafter formed which has residing within its limits less than fifteen children of school age. Provided further, that any sub-district may maintain so many branch schools as the convenience of the school population may require.

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